

Serial No. 10/676,826

**REMARKS**

The abstract has been amended to overcome the objection thereto. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested.

A response will be filed to the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102 within the statutory period for reply.

Respectfully submitted,

Randal J. Monforton, et al.

Dated: September 16, 2004.

By: 

Alan D. Kamrath, Reg. No. 28,227

NIKOLAI & MERSEREAU, P.A.

Attorneys for Applicant(s)

900 Second Avenue South

Suite 820 International Centre

Minneapolis, MN 55402

Tel: (612) 392-7306

Fax: (612) 349-6556